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June 22, 1941-- Our Duty Today

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY, Hitler sent his dive bombers and tank divisions screaming across the Soviet borders. On June 22, the German fascist regime committed its crowing act of treachery, violating a non-aggression pact which it had solemnly signed more than a year before.

With that act, Hitler announced to the world that he and his Axis satellites had begun their world-wide war for the conquest of Britain, the United States, Asia, India and Latin America.

For so long as the Red Army stood behind him, Hitler knew (even though many in Britain and America tried to conceal this truth) that he could not invade Britain nor launch his planned attack upon the United States.

THE RED ARMY and the Soviet people met the first shock of the terrific Nazi assault with incomparable courage, skill and heroism. With every mile of giving way before the murderous onslaught, they hacked to pieces hundreds of thousands of Nazi soldiers, and smashed enormous quantities of equipment.

Under the leadership of Stalin, political and military genius, the Soviet people found the answer to the Nazi "blitz" which no other country had been able before to find.

Every step back was but the preparation for the inevitable counter-offensive. Such was Stalin's order.

The democratic countries, Britain and America, were flooded with oceans of propaganda from the "experts."

"It will be over in three weeks" gloated the "expert" Martin Dies.

"They will take Moscow in six weeks" crowed the other "experts" who were expert only in the Munich and Vichy counsels of surrender.

But the Red Army gave to the world the incalculable gift of shattering the myth of Nazi invincibility. The Red Army showed to the peoples of the world that the future did not belong to Hitlerism, despite the boasts of Goebbels and the Fascism-lovers in Britain and America.

Hitler was stopped at Moscow. He was stopped at Leningrad. He was stopped at Sevastopol.

Stalin took command at Moscow. The order was "Never let the fascist swine defile our city." The order was executed while the world marvelled and rejoiced.

IN the brilliant counter-offensive of the late winter and early Spring, the Red Army opened the way to smashing Hitler in 1942. The Nazis had lost half of their vaunted Luftwaffe; they had lost most of their trained aviators and their prize tank divisions. Only the delay in opening the Western Front allowed them to recoup for new, desperate efforts.

Meanwhile, the deathless example of the Soviet guerrilla fighters inspired all of Europe to renewed struggle. For one year, the Soviet Union has borne almost alone the battle on which hangs the fate of all civilization, as General MacArthur said.

The feats of the Red Army have paved the way for the glorious collaboration of the United Nations upon which rests the hope of all democratic peoples.

Today, the alliance of Britain, America and the USSR is being cemented more firmly than ever. The Red Army cements the alliance in its blood. It is up to us to cement it by the launching of the Western Front, for the destruction of Hitler before 1943.

THE RED ARMY held the dikes for America. It has paid and is paying a tremendous price for us all. The United Nations, one year after, have been granted the chance to smash their hated enemy, Hitler.

Let us commemorate this day with renewed efforts for the Second Front, for complete unity behind the Roosevelt-Molotov pacts, for the routing of the vile enemy within.

In ever firmer alliance with the Soviet Union does the progressive future of America rest.

Let us rejoice that our country, firmly clasping the hand of the Soviet Union, marches down the path of victory over Fascism.

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For 365 Days These Red Army Men and Guns Have Held Nazism in Check



Win the War Now by Opening a Western Front in Europe

SECOND FRONT IS URGENT NOW, SAYS BEAVERBROOK

Nazis Lose 100,000 at Sevastopol

MOSCOW, Monday, June 22 (UP).—German troops have driven a wedge into the defenses of Sevastopol in spite of enormous losses—estimated at 100,000 men in 15 days—it was announced officially today as the Russian war blazed into its second year.

On the critical Kharkov Front, however, Russian troops blasted their way across a river (presumably the Donets) and recaptured a number of localities in a terrific counter-attack, the early war communique announced.

The location and extent of the Sevastopol breakthrough was not revealed. The communique said: "In the Sevastopol sector of the front our troops repelled repeated, furious German attacks. At a cost of enormous losses the enemy succeeded in driving a wedge in our defense positions."

STRONG REINFORCEMENTS

It had been admitted earlier that the German-Rumanian siege army, bolstered by strong reinforcements, had forced the Russians back from an outer to an intermediate defense line at one point south of Sevastopol.

On the Kharkov Front two German regiments, supported by tanks and airplanes, crossed the river after a terrific battle and forced the Russians back, the communique said. In the counter-attack, the Russians hurled the Germans back to the river, then crossed to the western bank and swept through a number of nearby localities. The Germans left many dead and wounded on the field, the communique said.

Other sectors were reported comparatively quiet but air losses for

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Nazis Take Tobruk; RAF Bombs Emden

LONDON, June 21 (UP).—Britain's famed siege port of Tobruk fell today after an overwhelming 24-hour assault by Col. Gen. Erwin Rommel's Nazi corps, and British officials frankly admitting it as a disaster.

Bardia, a minor port seven and a half miles from the Egyptian border, and Bir El Gobi, a former desert stronghold 40 miles south of Tobruk, also were believed to have fallen without a fight, which meant that Britain's imperial eighth army was completely routed from Libya.

The latest communique from Cairo said "the enemy attacked the perimeter of Tobruk in great strength yesterday (Saturday) and despite the most determined resistance, the enemy succeeded in penetrating the defenses and occupying a considerable area inside them." It added that "fighting continues."

ESCAPE IMPOSSIBLE

A London military commentator acknowledged that the Axis reports of Tobruk's surrender were understood to be true. He said Rommel threw practically everything he had into the assault, which came simultaneously and in overwhelming force from the east, west and south, and that escape for the Tobruk garrison was virtually impossible. Two strong Axis columns had cut the coastal road leading east from there 80 miles to the Egyptian border, and it was doubted that many imperials, already exhausted from their hasty retreat to Tobruk, could have fought their way out.

The Egyptian border defenses, centered on a chain of forts extending from Sollum, on the coast, to Sidi Omar, 22 miles south, remain to be tested in a full scale Axis assault and it is believed that Gen. Neil M. Ritchie's eighth army will

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Japanese Land Again In Aleutians

WASHINGTON, June 21 (UP).—Japanese forces, operating under cover of the eternal fogs rolling down from the Arctic Circle, have pushed their occupation of the Aleutians to Kiska, the Navy announced today, but only under the continuing blows of U. S. bombers which hit another cruiser and sank a transport.

The hits on the Japanese ships brought to nine and possibly 10 the number of vessels in the enemy invasion fleet which have been sunk or damaged by Army and Navy fliers defending the chain of far-flung islands stretching like a dagger to within 2,000 miles of Tokyo.

Kiska is approximately 100 miles east of Attu Island, which the Navy announced on June 12 had been occupied by the Japanese, and some 650 miles west of Dutch Harbor.

The occupation, however, came as no surprise since in its first announcement the Navy said a Japanese invasion fleet had been seen in Kiska harbor, one of the best natural anchorages in the Aleutian chain.

The Navy said "Tents and minor temporary structures were observed to have been set up on land."

One Year Later: Kalinin Sees Nazi Power Weakened

MOSCOW, June 21 (UP).—President Kalinin, reviewing the year of war in broad terms, asserted in an article published by the government newspaper Izvestia that the German army is no longer capable of a general offensive.

"Under our blows the myth of German invincibility is vanishing completely," he declared. "The spring offensive so persistently proclaimed by Hitler and his press has not materialized."

"With regard to further developments, it can be said confidently that the German army is not powerful enough to execute a general offensive on the whole front. German offensive operations are of course possible in one sector or another, but I think these will have only a limited character, and will cost the Germans very dearly."

The German army, now composed of a polyglot of nationalities, is "morally and physically much weaker" than it was a year ago, he said.

He said an overwhelming part of Soviet industry had been transferred from the occupied area into parts of the Union which could not be reached by German bombers, and practically all of it was at work pumping a river of strength into the Red Army.

Garden Rally Tonight For Russian War Relief

The Soviet people, their government and their Red Army will be honored here tonight at a mass meeting in Madison Square Garden, when Harry Hopkins, Federal Lease-Lend Administrator, and other noted Americans, will pay tribute to the USSR on the anniversary of her unprecedented stand against Nazi military might.

Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, is scheduled to represent the Soviet people and their Government on tonight's program.

The meeting will start at 8 o'clock. Speakers include Mayor LaGuardia, AFL president William Green; Bishop William T. Manning and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise. Paul Robeson, baritone; Jean Peerce, tenor; Arthur Rubinstein, pianist and the Philharmonic Peoples Chorus, will entertain the gathering. Associate Justice Stanley F. Reed, of the U. S. Supreme Court, will preside.

NATIONAL TRIBUTE

Allen Wardell, chairman of the Greater New York Campaign of the Russian War Relief, Inc., speaking of the mass meeting yesterday, said the Garden program is planned as the high point of a national tribute from the people of the United States to our allies, the people of Russia, for one year of heroic resistance to the Nazi onslaught.

Although tonight's meeting will officially mark the high point of Russian War Relief Week, proclaimed last Monday by Mayor LaGuardia, a number of notable events had already taken place Saturday and yesterday, when religious leaders throughout Greater New York emphasized in their sermons the importance of a year's Soviet resist-

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Army Ready For Invasion, He Says

BIRMINGHAM, England, June 21 (UP).—Lord Beaverbrook told a "Salute to Russia" meeting today that "the army in my opinion is adequately equipped for opening a second front; it is waiting for it and wanting to do it; the need is for urgency."

"There must be no unnecessary delay in sending forthwith a second expeditionary force to fight on a second front," he said.

"Some persons in high places have stood firmly against a second front. We must let them go their way." He mentioned the Bishop of Birmingham and the Duke of Bedford as two persons opposed to a second front but indicated that his remarks were intended as a "pep talk" rather than as criticism of the government.

Bulletin

Japanese Sub Shells Vancouver

OTTAWA, June 21 (UP).—For the first time in Canada's history as a Dominion enemy shells have landed on Canadian soil, it was disclosed today in a Defense Ministry announcement that a submarine had lobbed shells harmlessly at the government telegraph station at Estavan Point, Vancouver Island.

Soviet Woman Doctor Praises U. S. Women

By Corrine Hardesty

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Alla Kulikova, a slender, attractive girl sailor in the Soviet merchant marine where women have enlisted along with men since 1918, said today she thought American women were "very progressive" in at last taking a place in the armed forces of the country.

Miss Kulikova, 27, a graduate doctor and surgeon who shipped with three other women sailors on a Soviet cargo boat, made her first visit to New York while her ship was being overhauled in an eastern port.

In a calm, matter-of-fact man-

ner, the attractively dressed Russian woman told of experiences at sea which included a combined bombing and submarine attack, the sinking of two ships in the convoy and two emergency operations for appendicitis.

Miss Kulikova, who plucks her eyebrows and manicures her nails, but does not use rouge or lipstick—her sweetheart asked her not to—explained that Russian women think nothing of being sailors and soldiers.

"One of my friends is captain of a merchant ship," she said. "Some

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Frantic Pro-Nazi Propaganda

By Milton Howard

• The Second Front in 1942 means the Second Front in 1942.

You would think that the black-and-white agreement signed by President Roosevelt and Molotov for opening a two-front war against Hitler would be clear enough.

But the enemies of the Second Front are issuing frantic propaganda to save Hitler by turning the Second Front-in-1942 agreement into an agreement to "delay the Second Front."

The Scripps-Howard press yesterday flooded its front pages (in its Washington column) with some of the sneakiest anti-Second Front propaganda we've seen in a long time

First, the Scripps-Howard propaganda insists on depicting the Second Front as something which only the Soviet Union "demands" as a special favor from "the allies." Thus, the Soviet Union is set off against the other United Nations as having special interests. Thus, the smashing of Hitler in 1942 is pictured as not involving the safety of the United States and Britain as well as the USSR, China and the rest of the anti-Axis world.

The invasion of Europe to force Hitler to divide his armies into two is described by these appeasers as a "sacrifice" which the Soviet Union for some "private reason" insists on.

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For Pan-American Unity

U. S. Seamen Petition Brazil for Release of Luis Carlos Prestes



PRESTES

Twenty-five hundred members of the National Maritime Union have petitioned the Brazilian government to free Luis Carlos Prestes, anti-fascist "Knight of Hope."

The resolution, addressed to Carlos Martins, Brazilian ambassador in Washington, was adopted at the latest regular union membership meeting in Manhattan Center.

It was introduced and signed by 200 seamen in the port of New York waiting to ship out on Nazi-infested sea lanes.

"In this hour of grave crisis," said the seamen, "when the independence of all the Americas is threatened by the fascist Axis, firm Pan-American unity, based on trust and mutual understanding, is essential for our survival as independent nations."

Pan-American unity would be strengthened by the release of all anti-fascist political prisoners, the resolution argued.

"We seamen, who have often sailed to Brazil-

ian and other Latin American ports, have learned of the love and respect of the Latin American people for the great anti-fascist leader Luis Carlos Prestes, the Brazilian 'Knight of Hope.' His release would inspire all the peoples in our own hemisphere and throughout the world to a closer unity and to greater sacrifice for victory over the Axis."

The statement to the Brazilian ambassador concluded with the words: "We petition your government to free Luis Carlos Prestes."

Akron Churches Offer Prayers for Russia

(Special to the Daily Worker)

AKRON, Ohio, June 21.—All Protestant churches here yesterday offered prayers for the Russian people and called upon their members to donate to Russian War Relief.

The city-wide religious campaign was conducted under the auspices of the Akron Ministerial Association which published an appeal for aid in the religious page of the Akron Beacon-Journal on Saturday.

Test Beef Plasma for Blood Transfusions

BOSTON, June 21 (UP).—Beef blood plasma may be substituted for human blood in transfusions to save the lives of wounded American soldiers.

Harvard Medical School scientists have injected the beef plasma into 2,690 Massachusetts prisoners and all but seven of the voluntary "guinea pigs" reacted favorably.

Plans were reported underway to establish beef blood receiving stations at stockyards throughout the country.

Authorities said that pending completion of the Harvard experiments, however, persons should continue to donate their blood to the Red Cross blood banks.

Harvard began work on the process to substitute beef for human plasma 18 months ago and research workers first tested the plasma in themselves. State Cor-

rank and file painters won in three local elections in District Council 9 held over the weekend.

A clean sweep was recorded in Local 905 elections Saturday, with Sam Bogorod, rank and file candidate defeating his opponent M. Epstein, by a vote of 426 to 126. Local 905, one of the largest in the city, has given the rank and file a substantial majority for several years past.

Rank and file candidate Julius Zupan, was reelected for the fifth time, defeating Jack Holt, with 462 votes to 102. Rank and file candidate for treasurer, William Yochim, defeated S. Calloff by 359 to 147.

By a vote of almost 2 to 1, four rank and file candidates, Julius Labelson, S. Gordon, B. Gluck and Sam Rosen, were elected delegates to the district council.

ELECTION RALLY
Max Kushner, was reelected vice-president without opposition. Newly elected president Sam Bogorod, replaced Morris Gainer, who is running for district council business agent.

In local 892, candidates of the "United Rank and File" slate were elected to all offices which they contested. J. Fay was elected recording secretary, G. Miller, trustee, Bob Evans, and B. Frecher, delegates to the Central Trades and Labor Assembly, and Charles Dunne, M. Gillis, and Irving Schnurman, delegates to the Painters' district council. The United rank and file did not contest the other offices.

A substantial advance was recorded in the local 261 elections, with the rank and file getting a high vote of 289 votes to 550 for the Max Galt machine. Rank and file leaders of Local 261 expect to poll about 40 per cent of the local's vote in the district council elections Saturday.

Plans are under way, in the meantime, for activating scores of Russian War Relief committees in connection with the fund-raising drive, beginning Thursday. A feature of the drive will be the "Russian Carnival and Fair," at 200 Madison Ave. from Wednesday through Saturday.

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Flying Hero: A Distinguished Flying Cross and oak leaf cluster is pinned on Major John B. Montgomery by Lieut. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, U. S. Army Air Corps Chief.

Montgomery received the medal for acting as navigator on a flight to Scotland under adverse weather conditions and the oak leaf for his job as co-pilot on the flight that took the Harriman mission to Moscow.

Nazis Take Tobruk, RAF Raids Emden

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Today's RAF communiqué reported bombing raids on Axis positions near Tobruk on Saturday and another assault on the Benghazi harbor, the airdrome at Tmimi and on targets at Crete on Saturday night. No British planes were lost.

LONDON, June 21 (UP).—Strong RAF formations swept northern France almost ceaselessly today after 300 or more bombers had pounded Emden, submarine base and maritime port on the northwest German coast, for the second night in a row.

There still was no official explanation from the terrific, sustained gunfire and other heavy explosions heard from the French coast and the English channel between Dunkirk and Bologne almost all night.

Seven bombers were missing, including a coastal command plane lost during operations in which a medium-sized vessel was hit amidst ships off the Dutch coast, the communiqué said.

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Nazis Dent One Line at Sevastopol

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the week ended Saturday were given as 264 German and 103 Russian planes.

The first reported withdrawal of the Sevastopol garrison followed the arrival of fresh German divisions and an intensification of the assaults all around the fortified area despite "enormous" losses in bloody struggles at close quarters.

The Soviet Army newspaper Red Star said at least five Germans and two Rumanian divisions had been completely wiped out in the battle for Sevastopol, and "the situation is tense, requiring the greatest fortitude, iron discipline and heroic courage to beat the enemy back from the city."

Axis troops massed at the southern approaches of Sevastopol attacked savagely behind a vanguard of tanks and a curtain of aerial bombardment to drive the first acknowledged breach in the Soviet fortifications, the Pravda correspondent reported.

First four infantry regiments assaulted one Soviet unit, while waves of 15 and 20 German planes rained down bombs. Repeated in the initial two-hour attack, Gen. Fritz Erich von Mannstein rushed up reinforcements and wedged into the Soviet positions in the face of an artillery, trench mortar and hand grenade barrage which slaughtered the bulk of the assault force.

Investia said that in the principal sectors the German drives were "drenched in their own blood" as they hurled in over the bodies of thousands of his dead and through the wreckage of hundreds of machines in a desperate effort to crush Soviet resistance.

Selecting one vital point for an attempted breach, the Germans began with devastating artillery preparations, concentrating on a narrow space which also was blasted with bombs from dozens of planes for hours.

Dug into well fortified positions, the Red Army counter-attacked and thinned the ranks of the German vanguard, Investia said. The next day the Germans launched a murderous attack and managed to turn the Soviet unit. A savage battle ensued amidst the Red Army defenses thickly dotted with pillboxes from which the Soviet moved down the enemy and stemmed the advance.

In an adjoining sector the Red Army forestalled an attack by a surprise blow of their own and pushed the Germans back. Later German shock troops tried to cross a river and strike the Soviet flank.

Waiting until a considerable group had entered the river, the Red Army opened a barrage which "covered the surface with floating bodies." The few surviving Germans retreated. Pursuing Red Army units captured an inhabited point which had been converted into a strategic German stronghold, the account said.

Steele made the statement at the conclusion of a radio interview with the author.

"I don't think any man is better qualified," he said, "than Capt. Kournakoff to write about the Soviet army. Capt. Kournakoff has prepared himself for his work both as an officer in the Russian Army and by years of study."

Steele asked Kournakoff, who is military specialist for the magazine Soviet Russia Today, to "tell us the relation of the Red Army to the Russian people."

FROM ALL THE PEOPLE
"The Red Army," said Kournakoff, "is an army which is drawn from the whole people. . . . Every boy who wants to be an officer in the Red Army can afford it if he has the necessary talent."

Remarking that there had been "a lot of talk" about Political Commissars in the Red Army, Steele asked Kournakoff to "clear the matter up."

"There has been a lot of talk," Kournakoff said, "too much talk. The general conception is that the political commissar is the source of morale. He is not the source of morale in the Red Army, but he is the transmitter of the morale which comes from the healthy organization of the life of the people."

For eight years America heard the lie that Hitler doesn't menace the United States. We still hear the undertones of that treason in the propaganda that "we can take our time" about opening the Second Front. It comes from the American Laval and Petains and Quislings who try to keep us from locking in battle with Hitler because they don't want to see Hitler wiped out.

America's present safety and future happiness depends on unfolding the Roosevelt-Molotov pact for a Second Front immediately.

America and Britain need to plunge into the battlefield of Western Europe. That alone will solve our problems. Delay is costly and dangerous. We have all the weapons. Let us strike now. Stand behind the Roosevelt-Molotov pact for a Western Front in 1942.

America have enormous superiority over the Nazis in the way of armed men ready for battle in the British Isles is also "overlooked."

The fact that Hitler fears a two-front war as spelling his doom is ignored.

To crown its sneaky, treacherous "let-Hitler-alone" propaganda the Scripps-Howard press murmurs the devilish idea that "the later it (the Second Front) comes the better its chances of success."

From Berlin, this sneaky advice will get prolonged cheers. It fits right in with the plans of Hitler in the East and Rommel in Libya. It is the chloroform of the "Magnet Line" illusion which led France to disaster. It is calculated to give America's enemies the maximum time in which to re-group their forces to cut our throats.

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ica have enormous superiority over the Nazis in the way of armed men ready for battle in the British Isles is also "overlooked."

'Lidice' Now a Name To Terrorize Nazis

By Ilya Ehrenburg
(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, June 21.—The German "protector" signed an edict: "The name Lidice is to be stricken from all records for ever and ever." But lo, the German executioners parading through Prague saw the word on every door, "Lidice, Lidice and again Lidice."

At the moment when the Germans were burning the unfortunate village and burying the bodies of the victims, millions of Czechs gave a sacred vow: "The executioners shall be punished." Germany will render the word "Lidice," for henceforth it is immortal. The people will fight with the word on their lips. With this word they will pass judgment and mete out punishment. The last living SS man when he takes cover under a bed will hear the distant cry of the crowds, like the rumbling of the surf, "Lidice, Lidice, Lidice!"

We will not forget the tears of the Russian women. Nor will we forget the tears shed by the women of other peoples. Czech mothers, we will recall your tears as well. More than once we will tell the Germans, "This is for Lidice!"

We, too, have our Lidices: Minsk, Kiev, Theodosia, Odessa. We too remember everything. But we do not speak because guns now enjoy the priority of speech. One parachutist once told me, "Last night we annihilated 200 Germans. We could not shoot, could not raise a noise, so we used knives. I came from Kiev, and when I gripped the first German, it was my native Kiev that I recalled."

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Unions Drive for War on Axis Puppet, Finland

The people's campaign for a declaration of war against Hitler's puppet Government in Finland gathered momentum last week.

This campaign is being led by the Committee of Finnish Trade Unionists, which is urging President Roosevelt to call for a war declaration against the Helsinki Government.

The committee is led by Chairman Ilmer Koivonen of Duluth, president of the Minnesota local of the International Woodworkers, CIO, and Rudy Hanson of Newark, N. J., international representative of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union. Nine labor organizations are represented by the 12 other members of the committee.

The Finnish committee points out that the Helsinki Government, led by Baron Mannerheim, has been actively at war against the United Nations since last June 22 and that its embassy and consulates in America are listening posts for the Axis.

Yesterday also Finnish workers in New York exposed the bloody past of Hjalmar Procopé, Mannerheim's ambassador in Washington, who aided the massacre that followed the overthrow of the people's government of Finland in 1918.

Radio Analyst Kournakoff
Johannes Steele, radio commentator, said in his Saturday night broadcast over WMCA that "Russia's Fighting Forces" by Capt. Sergei Kournakoff is "the most authoritative" book in print on the Red Army.

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Remarking that there had been "a lot of talk" about Political Commissars in the Red Army, Steele asked Kournakoff to "clear the matter up."

"There has been a lot of talk," Kournakoff said, "too much talk. The general conception is that the political commissar is the source of morale. He is not the source of morale in the Red Army, but he is the transmitter of the morale which comes from the healthy organization of the life of the people."

For eight years America heard the lie that Hitler doesn't menace the United States. We still hear the undertones of that treason in the propaganda that "we can take our time" about opening the Second Front. It comes from the American Laval and Petains and Quislings who try to keep us from locking in battle with Hitler because they don't want to see Hitler wiped out.

America's present safety and future happiness depends on unfolding the Roosevelt-Molotov pact for a Second Front immediately.

America and Britain need to plunge into the battlefield of Western Europe. That alone will solve our problems. Delay is costly and dangerous. We have all the weapons. Let us strike now. Stand behind the Roosevelt-Molotov pact for a Western Front in 1942.

America have enormous superiority over the Nazis in the way of armed men ready for battle in the British Isles is also "overlooked."

The fact that Hitler fears a two-front war as spelling his doom is ignored.

To crown its sneaky, treacherous "let-Hitler-alone" propaganda the Scripps-Howard press murmurs the devilish idea that "the later it (the Second Front) comes the better its chances of success."

From Berlin, this sneaky advice will get prolonged cheers. It fits right in with the plans of Hitler in the East and Rommel in Libya. It is the chloroform of the "Magnet Line" illusion which led France to disaster. It is calculated to give America's enemies the maximum time in which to re-group their forces to cut our throats.

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ica have enormous superiority over the Nazis in the way of armed men ready for battle in the British Isles is also "overlooked."

Stalin's Son Wins Award for Bravery
MOSCOW, June 21 (UP).—Col. Vassilov Josefovich Stalin, the Soviet Premier's second son, was one of 25 Soviet aviators awarded the order of the Red Banner "for exemplary execution of fighting tasks with courage and bravery," it was announced today.

Fuel Problem Is Headache For Mayor

Enough fuel to heat the city next winter is still his major headache, Mayor LaGuardia admitted yesterday in his weekly report to the people over station WNYC.

"I know of no problem that has given me more worry than this one," the Mayor said.

Holding up the chilly specter of empty fuel tanks in apartment houses, homes, institutions and in industry, LaGuardia indicated that no adequate relief is yet in sight.

He said his hearing last week before the Senate Committee on Rivers and Harbors was "very satisfactory" and he described as "very interesting and, I believe, useful" his conference with "able, competent, vigorous and energetic" Harold Ickes.

PIPE LINES LOW
But the promise of new pipelines, only concrete results of the Washington talks, would take too long to build to give New York City relief this winter, the Mayor said.

He reported that another conference with Ickes and other government experts is in the offing and he said hopefully that "I'm sure Mr. Leon Henderson will help us out when he realizes what is taking place."

Hopeful also was the Mayor's estimate of his Washington quest for more war orders for idle New York City plants. "Indications are," he said, "that we will get more war orders than we have in the past. . . . I am hopeful that something will come from it."

Incidental intelligence reported by the Mayor included these items: New York City, with 77,836 empty apartments, has no housing shortage.

Petty racketeers may try to solicit contributions of old rubber in the name of Uncle Sam, pocket the profit.

A total of 6,019 city employees, more than half of them in the Department of Sanitation, have contributed blood to the Red Cross.

A War Council as required by a new state law will have its first meeting soon. (The Mayor was waging his finger at Albany when he said, "Most of our activities were already so well planned, so many, many months ahead, that the immediate necessity of this Council did not present itself.")

There will be a full quota of city-sponsored music in city-owned parks this summer.

Enrollment in City College for summer courses this year exceed all records.

Another Local Repudiates John L. Lewis
CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 21.—John L. Lewis was rapped this week when Local 151 of the United Construction Workers rejected Lewis' instructions to join his catch-all District 50 and voted to seek a separate charter from the CIO.

"Lewis has been opposing President Roosevelt and we won't go along with him," the local declared. Previously seven locals of District 50 comprising more than 1,200 workers here voted to withdraw from Lewis' organization.

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U.S. LABOR GREETES U.S.S.R. UNIONS ON ANNIVERSARY

Scores of American trade unions, locals and internationals of both the AFL and CIO have cabled greetings to Nikolai Shvernik, chairman of the trade unions of the USSR, on the anniversary of the Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union.

Excerpts from these greetings, all expressing the solidarity of American workers with their Soviet allies, follow:

CHEFS & PASTRY COOKS, Local 89, AFL: "We are confident that before long the people of Russia, with the help and assistance of the people of the free and of the occupied countries, will crush and destroy the enemy for all times."

NATIONAL MARITIME UNION: "Your heroic stand has given the United Nations the element of time which should now result in an all-out offensive culminating in the complete destruction of the fascist forces from the face of the earth this year."

AMALGAMATED MEAT CUTTERS, Local 623: "We hope and pray for the immediate opening of a second front and for a further and better understanding between your country and ours which will lead to a speedy completion of the victory over the Nazi invaders."

RETAIL DRY GOODS UNION, Local 1102, CIO: "Our membership supports without reservation the agreements reached by your distinguished representative, Mr. Molotov, and our great president, Mr. Roosevelt."

UNITED ELECTRICAL RADIO AND MACHINE WORKERS, District 4, CIO: "Fifty thousand defense workers... send warmest greetings on the anniversary of your valiant fight against Hitlerism."

INTERNATIONAL FUR & LEATHER WORKERS, CIO: "We pledge to redouble our efforts to achieve international labor solidarity of the trade union movement of our country with the trade unions of the Soviet Union and Great Britain. The organized fur and leather workers of the United States and Canada are determined to spare no effort to promote the speedy and successful prosecution of the war... Long live the united free peoples of the world."

AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION, CIO: "We greet the Soviet people on the anniversary of their titanic struggle against fascist aggression. Pledge all-out support for opening of a second front."

LOCAL 65, WHOLESALE & WAREHOUSE WORKERS UNION, CIO: "Greetings from 17,000 members of our local union. Everyone of us, those in the armed services and those holding posts in our war industries, are grateful to you, the workers of the Soviet Union... We are on the way to a Western Front. When we meet in Berlin soon we hope to celebrate our common victory."

UNITED OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS: "Today and every day your heroic stand against world fascism inspires us to work harder and fight harder so that we can open up a second front to help smash fascism this year. Working together in a fighting alliance, the people of the United Nations cannot fail to win..."

CAFETERIA EMPLOYEES UNION, Local 302, AFL: "Hail to the glorious accomplishments of the Soviet Army and peoples... Your achievements have saved the world from Nazi barbarism. May a Western Front now be launched to smash the Axis so that peace and freedom may come to the world..."

UNITED OFFICE & PROFESSIONAL WORKERS, Local 16: "... send fraternal greetings to our Soviet trade union brothers... and rejoice that the magnificent Soviet offensive has given courage to all free peoples..."

UNITED FURNITURE WORKERS, Local 76-B and 140: "The whole democratic world has been inspired by the examples of the Red Army and the Soviet People, and has intensified its determination to do all in its power to aid you in your destruction of our common enemy—Nazism."

"We salute our trade union brothers on the battlefields, in the guerrilla brigades and in the factories, wherever they may be in the struggle for freedom of the world."

"We are doing our share by supporting our government in its efforts to send you all possible material aid and to the opening of a Western Front in 1942."

STATE, COUNTY & MUNICIPAL WORKERS, N. Y. District: "Members of our union greet the trade union movement of Soviet Russia on this anniversary of Hitler's invasion of your great country. American labor inspired by powerful resistance of Soviet people during

year-long invasion. Hitler thought victory would be achieved in a few months. Today defeat stares him in the face. That defeat will be conclusive when we to the west of Hitler have opened up a second front. We pledge to do all in our power to make that second front an early reality. For victory for all the United Nations in 1942."

UNITED ELECTRICAL WORKERS, Local 1227: "Your historic struggle is saving the world from Hitlerism. We pledge maximum production for a second front to finish the job in 1942."

DEPARTMENT STORE EMPLOYEES, Local 1230, CIO: "Two thousand unionists greet you on first anniversary of your heroic struggle against the fascist aggressors... American labor pledges that it will do all in its power to crush the main enemy, Hitlerism. Work, Fight and Give is our battle cry. Forward to victory in 1942."

RETAIL DRUGSTORE EMPLOYEES UNION, Local 1198: "... pledge full cooperation for the defeat of Nazism."

BOOK & MAGAZINE UNION, CIO: "Officers Book & Magazine

Union greet heroic Soviet trade unionists and acclaim Molotov-Roosevelt agreement. We pledge full support for opening of a Western Front."

HOTEL & CLUB EMPLOYEES, AFL, Local 6: "Sixteen thousand hotel workers greet your glorious stand against Nazi aggression and pledge our lives and all energies for victory in 1942. Greetings to the inspiring defenders of Sevastopol, the Red Army and the heroic Soviet people."

HOTEL & RESTAURANT WORKERS, Local 16, AFL: "Greetings to Russian trade unionists. United Nations with united labor will bring victory over fascism."

UNITED RETAIL WHOLESALE & DEPT STORE EMPLOYEES, Local 104, CIO: "Your fight is ours, and we are straining all efforts for immediate establishment of Western Front and a smashing defeat of fascism in 1942."

"Wisdom of Roosevelt, Molotov agreement and pact of Soviet Union with Great Britain is appreciated by all trade unionists and has fullest support of our membership."

HOTEL FRONT SERVICE EM-

PLOYES, Local 144, AFL: "We greet heroic stand of the Soviet people and their glorious Red Army on the anniversary of the Nazi attack. The heroic defense of Sevastopol inspires us to redouble our efforts to win victory in 1942."

UNITED RETAIL & WHOLESALE EMPLOYEES, Locals 2 and 4, CIO: "Two thousand trade unionists greet you on first anniversary of your heroic struggle against fascist aggressors. Whole world has gained confidence and assurance in fight for world freedom."

"American labor determined to help our valiant ally. Work, fight, give, is our battle cry for victory. We are doing everything in our power to hasten the opening of the second front."

UNITED SHOE WORKERS, Local 60, CIO: "... We greet the valiant fighters of Russia on the anniversary of their heroic struggle against the fascist hordes who dare to attack your country. For victory in 1942."

UNITED SHOE WORKERS, Local 54: "... New York slipper workers salute the courageous trade unionists of your country who have held off the fascist beasts for so many long months."



One-Fourth of Chicago Homes Sub-Standard

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, June 21.—Calling for the support of women's organizations for a united attack on one of America's great defense problems—housing, the report of the Women's Joint Committee Adequate Housing declares that one-fourth of Chicago's homes are blighted. Emphasizing that the housing problem is a war problem, the report declares, "Behind many a service flag are rooms infested with vermin and rats, plumbing which doesn't work, a leaky roof, baths barren of plaster, tottering walls and floors, and no water supply. Enlarge this picture 225,000 times, and you will have an inkling of the extent of sub-standard housing in Chicago—a blight gripping the homes of one-fourth of the population of the city."

RATS ON PARADE

Investigators who collected material for the report found that in one home they found a 13 year old girl minding six smaller brothers and sisters while her mother was at a clinic being treated for rat bites.

The investigators were appalled when the girl told them: "Rats! They parade through a bargain store. Sometimes we all sit around and watch them do a jitterbug."

Reports from other sources reveal that since February there have been two deaths on the Negro South Side caused by rat bites. Both were cases of bed-ridden, paralyzed women unable to fight off the rats. The Women's Joint Committee was organized two years ago at the request of the City Council to study means of eliminating the housing blight.

It represents 19 organizations comprising a membership of 150,000, and has been responsible for some improvements.

IWO Fraternalists Ask For Fitness Program

(Special to the Daily Worker)

New York Young Fraternalists, of the International Workers Order, called upon all New York Congressmen and Senators yesterday to give full support to the 1942 budget request of the Physical Fitness Division of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services. Popularly known as the "Hale America" program, the division has been actively promoting physical fitness actions to help America toughen up.

Man Killed in 18-Story Fall

(Special to the Daily Worker)

A man identified as C. F. Borrell, 48, of Cheshire, Conn., leaped or fell 18 stories to his death from a midtown hotel yesterday. His body landed on the roof of a third floor extension. Police said he had fallen from a room on the 18th floor of the Hotel Abbey. They said papers found in his pockets gave his name with the address, "West Main Street, Cheshire, Conn."

Two New Destroyers Shipyard Honors Father's Day

(Special to the Daily Worker)

KEARNY, N. J., June 21.—Two destroyers named for fathers who fought to defend American homes and freedom, the U.S.S. Jenkins and the U.S.S. LaVallette, were launched here today as a special feature of Father's Day at the shipyard of the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

Descendants of these fighting fathers—the late Rear Admiral Thornton A. Jenkins and the late Rear Admiral Elie A. F. LaVallette—sponsored the two warships.

The Jenkins was christened in honor of her grandfather by Mrs. Marion Parker Embury of Washington, D. C. A similar rite was performed next at the bow of the LaVallette by Mrs. Lucy LaVallette Little of Brooklyn, N. Y., in the name of her great-grandfather.

Fewer than a hundred persons attended the simple ceremonies, which lacked fanfare and speaking, due to grim wartime procedure of which the launching of ships has become a vital part.



Survivors of a ship torpedoed off the Washington coast, who appeared at Victory Square in Seattle, still show the effects of their harrowing experience. From left to right, K. Wooten, deck engineer; W. Teuber, ordinary seaman; First Officer E. W. Nystrom, at the microphone; August Heijari, able seaman; John Nelson, able seaman; George Howard, able seaman; Alfred Nense, able seaman; Robert Nawgan, able seaman; James Hudson, fireman; D. D. Targie, radio operator; P. R. Sexton, third officer.

Ship Survivors Sail Right Back Out

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEATTLE, June 21.—One minute First Officer E. W. Nystrom was sound asleep. The next thing he was flat on the back of his neck on the floor.

That was the way a submarine struck 40 miles off the Washington coast last Sunday. And so survivors rowed a lifeboat or sat on a raft until Tuesday morning when the last of the victims were picked up.

Every wave in the Pacific passed over the raft during the long vigil, according to the solemn statement of P. R. Sexton, third officer.

Only the night before, Sexton said he was lying under all the extra blankets the hotel would furnish—and he had a chill thinking about those cold waves.

Eleven of the survivors appeared at Victory Square here still showing the effects of their harrowing experience.

Members of the 202 Coast Artillery Band put down their musical instruments and applauded the seamen. A crowd of several thousand which had turned out to witness shipyard workers day at the Square broke into cheers when the survivors were introduced.

SURPRISED TO BE HEROES
The seamen looked surprised to find themselves heroes.

"We're going out again next week," Nystrom said. "Every last man of us."

The thing that grips Nystrom is this, he says. Here he has been sailing through war lanes lurking with enemy craft. He had narrow skirmishes with disaster when ships were torpedoed with in striking distance.

And so he eluded the enemy all over the Pacific, and then gets cracked right in his own back yard.

Nystrom went to Ballard High School in Seattle and lived here until a year ago.

While recovering from the harrowing experience, Nystrom read with gratitude that his father, Capt. Fred Nystrom, a prisoner of the Japanese in Hongkong, will return to the United States in an exchange of prisoners.

The boys took a machine gun from their sinking ship aboard the lifeboat. If the submarine started shooting at their lifeboat they were at least going to shoot back.

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Nystrom said that Jim Hudson, a fireman, had rushed to put out the engine room fires when the torpedo struck. But his work was all done for him. The torpedo had knocked out the fires. So Jim just looked for the nearest raft.

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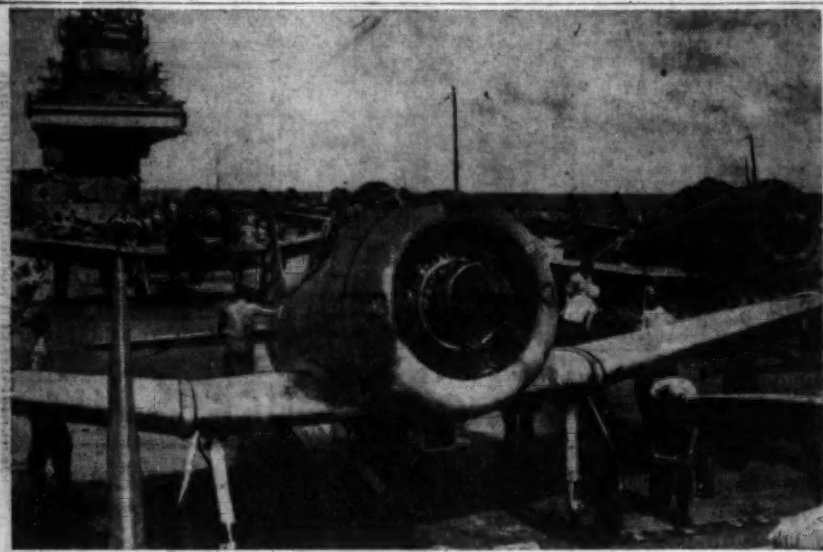
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Weekly Column Devoted to Interests of Rail Labor

Car Knocker's Letter Tells Possibilities of Labor-Management Committees on Rip-Track

Stop, Look and Listen:

I've been reading your column for a long while and have always found it interesting and educational. The Daily Worker and your column have helped me understand what this war is all about and what our job should be in helping to win it. I guess there never was a war where labor had such a big part to play and such a big stake in the winning as we have in this world conflict.

It's strange that the Chiefs don't do something about establishing joint labor-management committees on the roads. According to the daily press and LABOR, the committees set up in other industries are accomplishing big things. I'm wondering if the big shots of our unions are going to continue to lag behind on this question like they lagged behind on wages, hours and vacations with pay a couple of years ago.

I'm a car-knocker working in one of the country's biggest freight yards, mostly on the rip-tracks, and I can see many places where methods could be improved if we could make our suggestions to the foremen through the agency of a joint labor-management committee. You see these job "pushers" are under pressure all the time to make a showing, and they seem to think that if they can get a damaged car out of the shop in a hurry with just a make-shift repair job, that improves their record, even though the same car may break down again in transit and hold up an entire train on the road.

Maybe a quick "haywire" repair job helps the rip-track foremen's record, but it doesn't make for wartime efficiency. Once in a while one of these "quick" jobs busts down before it gets out of our own yards and then we can see the results.

Last week we had a carload of lumber that had shifted and knocked the end of the box-car loose. We did one of those "quick" repair jobs—a couple of nails here and a couple of bolts there—and away it went back into the yards. Anybody could figure that there was a better than even chance of that end breaking off again before it reached its destination, maybe it would hold and maybe not. As it happened, it got a good slam while being humped in our own yard, the lumber shifted again, and the next day the same car was back on the rip-track again. A good repair job in the first place wouldn't have taken very much longer, but when the car came back the second time the whole end was jarred loose and it required about 16 to 20 man hours for repairs. The lumber, probably for military use, was held up another day in the bargain, not to mention the additional switch-engine time required to bring the car back again to the rip-track.

That's a sample of the kind of thing which could be overcome by a labor-management committee. Our foreman isn't a bad egg and I'm sure the company doesn't actually want this sort of thing to happen. Nobody but traitors want inefficiency in this People's War, and I don't think there are many of those on the roads. But there is too much of the old buck-passing: no one seems to want to take responsibility for the extra time required to make a good repair job at our point, so that the same car wouldn't break down on the road or in some other yards.

Now if there was a labor-management committee for the men to depend on, we'd sure have told the foreman what repairs we thought this lumber car needed for a safe and complete job, and it would have got to where it was going without another breakdown. The foreman wouldn't have felt that he stood alone to take the rap if there was criticism over the amount of time taken to do the job; and we car-knockers would have felt responsible for doing a bang-up job in a hurry.

Each case like that means something to the war effort and when you multiply this example of one box-car by many times in many yards, you can see what an improvement in rip-track repairs is possible.

I've spent quite a few years booming around the country, working on one road or another, and from my own experience I know that what holds good for the car department, holds good in all the other branches of railroad service—the men in overalls can tell the supers and foremen plenty of things that would improve the service and help win the war. That's why I'm one hundred per cent for the idea of labor-management committees and hope you fellows will keep pounding away on the idea. If you think printing this will help, its O.K. with me.

P.S.—I let one of the lads I work with read this and he thinks I've sure of low-rated the good record of the railroads in the war and so I'm adding this postscript to say that wasn't my intention. Personally, I do think everybody on the roads can be proud of the amount of troops and freight that have been handled—considering the conditions of equipment to start with. But I still think there is plenty of room for improvement and that labor-management committees are the answer.—C.K.

Let's Do Something About It

Thanks to the good brother, "Car Knocker," for his interesting letter. May we suggest that the labor-management committees which he, and all of us, are so much in favor of, will become reality when we seriously take up this matter in our respective lodges and instruct our local officers or special committees to meet with management for the purpose of working out arrangements for labor-management cooperation. Further, we should be able to get together with other crafts to set up joint committees to meet with management. And finally, we should communicate with our general chairman and grand lodge officers, petitioning them to organize for each road and on a national scale—such working arrangements as will permit and encourage the broadest participation of labor in management in order to achieve ever better rail operation in support of our nation's war effort.

Nor should local lodges fail to inform Mr. Eastman, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation, Washington, D. C., that the functions of his office ought to include responsibility for the setting up of labor-management committees on the roads. There is no reason to doubt that such committees would duplicate the successes realized by labor-management cooperation in other industries.

Northwest Hails Speech By Wallace

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEATTLE, June 21.—Vice President Wallace's now famous "Century of the Common Man" speech met with warm response here when the full text of the speech was published in the "Washington New Dealer," official newspaper of the Washington Commonwealth Federation. The local press had completely ignored the historic address.

Workers in war industries circulated the paper through the yards and factories and tacked up the speech on bulletin boards where it aroused wide interest among the men on the job.

Three Congressional district Victory Conferences held in Washington State heard the speech read from the platform and adopted resolutions applauding its expression of people's policies.

A total of about 450 delegates, representing 100 trade unions, farm, penitentiary and other organizations expressed unanimous approval of the speech.

Radio programs, sponsored by progressive win-the-war organizations and patriotic commentators, read the speech over the air to the embarrassment of the metropolitan newspapers.

As a result of the widespread attention drawn to the speech the Seattle Star and the Oregon Journal reprinted Wallace's speech in full ten days to two weeks after the Washington Commonwealth Federation had scooped the metropolitan dailies.

Both newspapers, in reprinting the speech, had explained that many readers had written in requesting them to do so.

Labor Conference in City to Hear Nelson

Donald Nelson, head of the War Production Board, will be represented at the Trade Union and People's Victory Conference at the Fraternal Club House, 110 W. 48th St., next Saturday, by Edward Lawson, regional director of the New York and New England States for the board.

Congressman Vito Marcantonio, Councilman A. Clayton Powell, Jr. and Ferdinand Smith, secretary of the National Maritime Union, will also address the two-day conference.

Delegates from more than a hundred CIO and AFL and other unions and prominent Negro leaders will be present at the conference, which was initiated by the Negro Labor Victory Committee.

The four-point conference program calls for:

1. Full use of Negro labor in war production;
2. Training of 50,000 Negro workers in the next three months to fill labor shortages;
3. The calling of a national Negro Manpower Conference, with representatives of labor, management, the Government and Negro organizations, to work out plans for full utilization of Negro labor to win the war;
4. Recommendations to President Roosevelt for Negro representatives on the War Manpower Board.

The conference will be followed by a Sunday evening mass meeting, June 28, at the Golden Gate Ballroom, Lenox Ave. and 142 St., addressed by Paul V. McNutt, Administration spokesman; Joseph Cur-

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SYRACUSE, June 21.—The New York State CIO convention ended here yesterday after adopting 40 resolutions which went down the line completely for the policies set forth by the national executive board of the CIO recently.

Included were resolutions pledging wholehearted support of a second front in 1942 and urging affiliation with the Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee on the basis of joint action with the AFL to promote cooperation of all unions of the United Nations.

The convention voted to cable greetings to the trade unions of the Soviet Union on the first anniversary of the June 22 invasion of their country and pledging an all-out effort to supply the materials for a second front to smash Hitler in 1942.

UNANIMOUS ELECTIONS
Gustave Strebel of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers was unanimously re-elected president; Harold J. Garno, of the Auto Workers Union and president of the Buffalo CIO Council, was named secretary-treasurer. Both were elected by acclamation.

The widely publicized newspaper prediction of three-way factionalism did not materialize.

Lobby talk apparently inspired by forces interested in keeping alive old group lines proved just so much hokum. The changes in the constitution voted by the convention dealt a severe blow at whatever factional motives are still left. They give representation to one member on the state executive board from each of the 22 international unions with a membership in the State, regardless of size, each having voting power equal to the per capita dues payments of the respective organization. A similar voting basis was set for convention delegates.

WORKED FOR UNITY

The chairmanship of Allan S. Haywood, personal representative of CIO president Philip Murray, and his efforts between sessions were greatly helpful in bringing about the unification of the delegates. His guiding principles, as he announced it at the outset of the convention, was the need of complete unity of all groups behind the war regardless of political or other differences.

As a result, the executive board of 22 named by the convention presents an all-inclusive picture of all shades of opinion and all industries.

Irving Potash, of the Fur Union, one of the left progressives on the constitution committee, said the unanimity of the committee's decisions and the new constitution "provides the basis for the most democratic representation and leadership." He drew general laughter from the convention when he ridiculed the newspaper speculation on a revival of factionalism and added, "I am sorry we couldn't accommodate them."

"I think we also owe an apology to Goebbels, Dies and Pegler, who hoped for a split in our ranks," he said. Mention of the labor-baiting columnist drew the customary unanimous chorus of Bronx cheers.

Louis Hollander, right wing member of the constitution committee and manager of the New York Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, said, "I, too, am glad that we have been able to bring in a unified report." He further expressed the hope that the unity would be extended to the field of politics.



Navy 'E' for Drug Plant: Proudly holding a Navy "E" pennant presented to their employers John Wyeth and Bros., which has supplied this country with drugs for three wars, including the Civil War, are (left to right) Flora Kennedy, Kathleen Macintosh and Ruth Tuttle. The company was the first pharmaceutical firm to win the coveted banner.

Bridges Protests Still Pour in

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEATTLE, June 21.—Protests against the order to deport Harry Bridges continue to roll from the Pacific Northwest to President Roosevelt as workers in the West Coast area call for repudiation of this stab at the war effort.

The Washington Old Age Pension Union in a state board meeting with more than 900 aged men and women present adopted a resolution condemning the Bridges order.

At the same meeting the elders pledged to go into the fields to help harvest the crops and to buy and re-sell war bonds to assist the war effort.

Action of the pension union was announced by State Senator N. P. Atkinson, president, and State Representative William J. Pennek, secretary.

CIO COUNCILS ACTS

The Seattle CIO Council denounced the Bridges decision in a meeting where feeling ran high against the latest attack upon the West Coast CIO leader.

"This is a major blow against American unity and the morale of tens of thousands of workers who look to Harry Bridges for constructive leadership," the CIO Council charged.

Loggers in two local unions in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains also voted to forward protests to President Roosevelt.

Negro Member Of Sub Crew Gets Army Award

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Lonnie Jackson, mess attendant on a submarine, has been promoted to "officer's cook, third class" and awarded the Army's Silver Star.

Jackson was the sole Negro member of the crew of the submarine which loaded millions of dollars in gold, silver and securities at Corregidor while the fortress was under Japanese assault. Other members of the crew also were honored.

Kearny Shipyard Local's New Pact Guarantees Top War Production

Kearny, N. J. Workers Correspondence Dept.—When Local 16 of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers at Kearny, N. J., met last June 5, it was to consider the most significant order of business in a long time.

First on the agenda proposed by local president Peter J. Flynn was the acceptance of a contract which had been won. The first of its kind, the contract calls for a general pay raise of at least 8 cents an hour throughout the industry. It gives a greater percentage increase to those in lower-priced brackets, and establishes \$1.20 as the standard first-class mechanic's rate in every shipyard in the United States.

Also accepted was the policy of

Civilian Front by the VOLUNTEER

(This column, which will appear in this space every Monday and Friday, is intended to further Civilian Defense Activities which will help make 1942 the year of Victory. We invite our readers to participate by sending in comments, questions, suggestions, etc.)

Last year the equivalent of more than seven army divisions—men from 20 to 44 were killed or permanently disabled in American industry—in the first 10 months of 1941, 450,000,000 man-hours of labor were lost in the Battle of Production because of illness. The civilian front

cannot afford these appalling losses when the order of the day is to back up that Western Front. While the question of industrial accidents are the concern of management - labor conferences in the shops on hazards, training of new workers, safety devices, etc., civilians must help meet the problem of health and safety in several ways. "Keep Our Street Safe," campaigns can be launched by the local C.D.V.O. and by block organizations, with appropriate posters, distribution of appropriate literature. House committees should have safety programs as part of their work. Classes on first aid and nutrition should continue to be organized.

With 3,000 physicians needed by the next seven months and 5,000 by July 1st, and 50,000 nurses to be called into service, it is more important than ever that the present need for nurses aides and Health Department assistants be filled. You and your neighbor can register for these duties at the local C.D.V.O.

G. V. would like some information on what volunteer work in Civilian Defense is open to non-citizens. While we believe that at present administrative officials are pursuing a short-sighted policy in limiting the contributions of the non-citizen, we are listing volunteer opportunities for which non-citizens may register at their local C.D.V.O.:

- Block Salvage Captains.
- Blood Donors.
- Census Takers for Board of Education.
- New York City Department of Health:
- Health Assistants.
- Nutritionists.
- Clinic Clerks.
- Receptionists.
- Social Service Aides.
- Librarians.
- Occupational and Recreational Therapists.
- Selective Service Board (clerical work).
- Work Rooms (e.g. Red Cross).
- Production Workers.
- New York Police Department.
- Messengers.
- Non-citizens with first papers.

Catholic Bishop to Speak At Auto Union Convention

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, June 21.—The Most Reverend Bernard J. Shell, auxiliary Bishop of the Chicago Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church, will deliver the invocation at the opening session of the CIO United Auto Workers Convention, here on Aug. 3.

Bishop Shell was the first outstanding Catholic dignitary to address a major CIO meeting when he spoke to a mass meeting of the Packinghouse Workers' Organizing Committee in 1939.

In accepting the invitation of the Auto Convention Committee to speak, Bishop Shell praised the leadership of labor in the war effort.

"The leadership of labor has given a marked demonstration of Americanism in the war emergency," he said. "Let the labor-

baiters show us achievements to match those of the men they criticize. The workingmen are the one force in America which has never failed."

Nazi Order Norse Unionists: Pay Us—Or Else

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

STOCKHOLM, June 20.—A notice posted in cities throughout Norway tells in a few words the plight of the trade unions of that Nazi-occupied country:

"Members who refuse to pay dues, thereby violating the orders of the German police chief, will be subject to prosecution by the German judicial authorities. Such members will be given last warning. In the event of further default, the case will be turned over to the German Secret Police."

A SHIPYARD WORKER LOCAL 16

F. D. R. Hearings Crack Jim Crow Wall in Deep South

By Robert F. Hall
(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 21.—It was impossible to sit through the three days of hearings here before the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice without a confident feeling that the country's getting somewhere in the fight for Negro equality. As the hearings unfolded it became increasingly apparent that the majority of Southern employers, like the rest of the Southern people, have enough patriotism and horse sense to recognize that victory requires that the vast reservoir of unused Negro labor must be channelled into vital war industries.

During the three days, more than 75 people spoke, including Negro and white workers and industrialists employing thousands of workers. Northerners and rock-ribbed Southerners. And not a single one defied discrimination. Not a one voiced disagreement with the aims of the President's Committee. The whole procedure was his tonic for the South.

MANY AGREEMENTS

Actually, in the programs of the hearings, agreements were reached with several important concerns employing thousands of workers under which pledges were given for the elimination of discrimination in their plants. This included:

1. The Bracken Bag-Landing Corporation of Talladega, Ala., which employs a large number of women and has been denying employment to Negro women. Agreement was reached in executive session.

2. The Gulf Shipyard Co. of Mobile which employs many hundreds of white workers and only 14 Negroes who work as sweepers.

3. Alabama Drydock and Shipbuilding Co. of Mobile which employs 20 per cent Negroes but has kept them almost completely in unskilled jobs.

4. Vultee Aircraft Co. in Nashville which heretofore has systematically excluded Negroes from all but janitor jobs.

Of the above, the first constituted a full-fledged agreement. Despite the evasiveness of employers, when it was all over it was clear that a basis for co-operation between the government, the trade unions and management, for the elimination of discrimination, had been laid.

A similar achievement was recorded in regard to government agencies, many of which came into court with, to say the least, solid hands. In their zeal to accommodate themselves to reactionary local customs, training agencies and the United States Employment Service were guilty of rank discrimination.



At FEPC Hearings: The President's Fair Employment Practices Committee is now holding hearings on job discrimination against Negroes in the South. Similar hearings have been going on in all parts of the country. Above, part of the crowd that attended hearings when they were held in New York City recently at the Bar Association.

The employers maintained that they did not employ Negroes because there were no Negroes trained for the jobs. And the training agencies, federal, state and local, maintained that they could not train a Negro for a skilled job unless there was a demand for a Negro for such a job.

The President's Committee impatiently cut through this vicious circle and demanded that this slight-of-hand maneuvering be ended at once.

Anticipating the searchlight, the U. S. Regional Labor Supply Committee, through James H. McGinnis, its chairman, pledged that directives will be sent to all representatives of U. S. Employment Service to ignore race specifications of employers and recommend men or women for employment regardless of color.

INTELLIGENT DIRECTION

The conditions for such a favorable outcome of the hearings were created largely by the intelligent, tactful but nevertheless uncompromising conduct of the hearings by Chairman Malcolm MacLean and the members of the committee, especially Mark Etheridge, editor of the Louisville Courier Journal.

Earl Dickerson, Negro member of the Chicago City Council; David Sarnoff, president of the Radio Corporation of America; and Milton P. Webster, international vice president of the Sleeping Car Porters.

Certain sections of Southern

business men had looked on the approaching hearings with doubts and misgivings, to some extent stimulated by attacks on the FEPC by the Alabama Magazine, which John Temple Graves in his column in the Birmingham Age-Herald called a "little fascist-minded local political trade journal."

With these misgivings in mind, no doubt, Chairman MacLean opened the hearings with a frank and forthright statement of the aims of the hearings.

He went on to describe how the Japanese and German shortwave stations take hold of every instance of discrimination in this country, such as the Sojourner Truth House, the incident, the Alexandria, La., beatings, and broadcast them to India, China, the Pacific Islands, Africa, and South America.

The elimination of discrimination, he said, will strengthen the world unity of the United Nations for the defeat of the Axis.

The chairman then introduced Mark Etheridge, the Kentucky editor, who made an impassioned plea for Southerners to abandon prejudice.

'BORN OF TENSION'

He took up the charge that the FEPC was creating tension. On the contrary, he said, the committee was born of tension, created by discrimination against minorities, for the purpose of easing that tension. Mr. Etheridge laid responsibility on Axis propagandists for "whipping up" old prejudice. Any one

Negro Hero's Mother to Be Honored

Doris Miller, Pearl Harbor hero and recent recipient of the Navy cross for gallantry in the face of the enemy, will be further honored here next Saturday, when Mrs. Conery Miller, his mother, receives for him a scroll presented by National Negro Achievement Day.

The scroll will bear the inscription, "For Distinguished Service to America."

Mrs. Miller, accompanied by another of her sons, will be the guest, on Saturday, of National Negro Achievement Day and, on Sunday, of the Harlem Labor Victory Committee of Greater New York, the latter of which is holding a labor victory conference on Saturday and Sunday.

Other recipients of honor scrolls by National Negro Achievement Day will be the following:

Paul Robeson, in music; Ferdinand Smith, national secretary of the National Maritime Union, in labor; Councilman Adam Clayton Powell, for civic progress; Mary McLeod Bethune, for leadership among Negro women; Dr. George Washington Carver, for scientific achievements; Dr. George Cannon, president of the Manhattan Medical Association, in medicine; Joe Louis, in sports; Cecil Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Insurance Co., in business; William H. Johnson, painter, in art.

A number of Mr. Johnson's paintings will be displayed in the lobby of the Golden Gate Ballroom, where presentation of the scrolls will be made 9 o'clock Saturday evening.

Mrs. Miller and her son will take part in the National Negro Achievement Day parade, Saturday, starting at noon at 145th St. and Lenox Ave., and in the children's free party and historic pageant at Colonial Park (Bradhurst Ave. and 145th St.) from 2:30 to 4:30 P. M.

McNutt Talk at Negro Rally Here to Be Broadcast

Paul V. McNutt, head of the Manpower Mobilization Board, will make the principal address at a Victory mass meeting co-sponsored by the Negro Labor Victory Committee at the Golden Gate Ballroom, 142nd St. and Lenox Ave., Sunday, June 28.

McNutt's speech will be broadcast by station WJZ and a national network from 6:08 to 6:30 P. M. He will be introduced by A. Clayton Powell, Jr., City Councilman.

The Administration spokesman is expected to report on the progress

the Government is making in putting Negroes into war industries and overcoming discrimination.

The Sunday mass meeting will follow a two-day Victory Conference at Fraternal Clubhouse beginning Saturday morning June 27.



PAUL V. MCNUTT

Marcantonio Wins Support Of Civil Service Workers

The State, County and Municipal Workers Union has endorsed the candidacy of Congressman Vito Marcantonio for re-election, the union announced over the weekend.

Marcantonio, in a letter thanking the union for its action, reaffirmed his intention to do all in his power to help win the war in 1942.

"It is with this in mind that I have called for a second front and for the policy of taking the offensive," he wrote. This policy, he declared, has "now become the united determination of our country, Great Britain and the Soviet Union."

"A strong labor movement," he told the unionists, "will speed the production of the goods and services we need to win the war."

Norwegian Vessel Sunk

WASHINGTON, June 21 (UP).—The Navy Department today announced that a small Norwegian merchant vessel had been torpedoed and sunk in the Gulf of Mexico. Survivors have been landed at a gulf coast port.

Mexican Farm Union Offers Men to Army

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

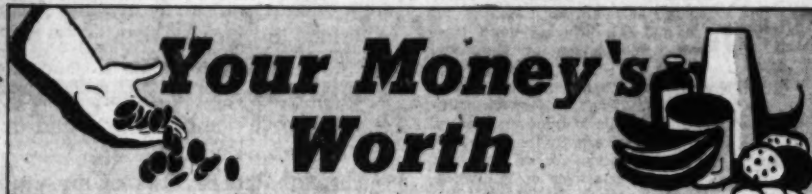
MEXICO CITY, June 20. — The Mexican Confederation of Agricultural Workers, with a membership of approximately 2,000,000 has offered to form an army of 300,000 men whenever necessary for the fight against the Axis.

The entire working class and people of Mexico want to fight in whatever way necessary against the enemies of America and liberty. The Federation of Workers has offered to furnish soldiers for the army.

Dr. Carver Will Remain At Tuskegee

TUSKEGEE, Ala., June 21.—Dr. George Washington Carver, world-renowned Negro scientist, will not go to Detroit to work for Henry Ford and the Ford Motor Co., as rumor had it last week, according to latest reports from both the Ford company and Tuskegee Institute.

Dr. Carver, 78-year-old chemistry wizard who admittedly has done more for Southern agriculture than any other living man, was rumormongered last week as having accepted the personal invitation of Mr. Ford to experiment with synthetic rubber in laboratories set up especially for his use. Artificial rubber is one among hundreds of products created by Dr. Carver.



Cleansing Tissues: Beef Cuts and Their Uses:

Cleansing tissue like all other consumer goods is beginning to feel the pinch of war production. Lighter paper is now used in tissue manufacture with the result that all tissues are of poorer strength. This is something we must accept for the duration. But it is therefore more important that we know which brands are best so we can get the most for our money.

Don't believe what you read in the ads. Kleenex, which is the most advertised, is of the poorest quality. Consumers Union says. So is the tissue put out by Gimbels.

As for the best buy, you can still get it in the A.P. Five hundred sheets of Queen Anne sold in the chain store grocery costs 16 cents. Other best buys are Colonial and Nacella (Woolworth).

Good tissue buys are also put out by Cooperative Distributors, Sistrup, Princess, Ponds, Jean La Verne, Betty Woods, Lexington (Bloomingdale), Utility (Macy), Lady Dainty (Safeway Stores), Patricia Allen, Blue Diamond (Hearns), Klenzo (Rexall Drugs), Elizabeth Post (Kress Stores), Martha Washington, Perfection (Walgreen Drugs), Jean Arlen (Hearns), Park Royal, Vanida, Countess Lydia Grey, Society, (Walgreen Drugs), Barbara Lane (Whelan Drugs), Lorea, Broadway-Hollywood, Super Fyne, Sciflin, Clee-Kist (Woolworth), Milown Feathersoft (Whelan Drugs), Hazel, Lyncrest (W. T. Grant), Fina (Liggett's), Planet, Wards (Montgomery Wards) and Montroy.

The brands named above are listed in order of quality without regard to price. They run from 21 to 31 cents a box for 500 sheets. It is always better to buy tissue in a 500 pack; it saves time and money.

The tissues listed above are packed in two and three ply, that is, the tissues are put up in 250 units if they are two ply, and 167 if they are three. There is no difference between the two types except that the three tissue sheets packed as one, seem softer. Two ply tissues are just as good and are more economical.

The food value of meat has nothing to do with its price. Porterhouse steak costs about 40 cents a pound, chuck about 30 (A&P), yet they both have the same food value. The difference between them is that Porterhouse has finer flavor and is more tender.

The job for a good housekeeper is to be able to make nutritious low-cost meat taste as delicious as the more expensive cuts. It can be done by using cuts properly and seasoning them well.

The Department of Agriculture has supplied the following list showing each cut of beef and its use. It may give you some ideas.

CUT	USE
LOW-COST CUTS:	
Shank (including bone)	Soup, stew
Plate, fresh or corned	Boiling meat, stew
Brisket, fresh or corned	Stew, boiling meat
Fore shank	Stew, mincemeat
Meck	Meat loaf
MEDIUM-COST CUTS:	
Chuck	Pot roast, stew
Heel of Round	Pot roast, stew
Full round	Swiss steak, stew, pot roast
Minute steak	Pot roast, corned
Boneless rump	Braised steak, stew
Flank	Pot roast, stew
Chuck round bone	
HIGH-COST CUTS:	
Prime Rib	Roast
Sirloin	Broiled steak, roast
Porterhouse	Broiled steak
OTHER EDIBLE PARTS:	
Heart	Stew, stuffed, braised
Kidney	Stew, meat pie
Liver	Fried, braised, liverloaf, liver
Tongue (fresh, corned, pickled, smoked)	paste
Tripe (fresh, pickled)	Boiled
Oxtail	Boiled, fried, creamed
	Stew, braised, soup

Ham and Egg Pie: In Your Lunch-Box:

1 cup left - over ham cut in small pieces
4 eggs
1 cup thin milk or warm water
2 teaspoons flour
Salt and pepper to taste
Pie crust

Into buttered pie plate pour milk or warm water. Drop unbeaten eggs into dish one at a time. Sprinkle ham into liquid around eggs. Dot with butter, season with salt and pepper to taste, and sprinkle flour in liquid to thicken, slightly. Cover with thin pie crust (prepared biscuits are a good substitute if time is short). Bake in quick oven long enough to brown crust. The liquid in pie should be quite moist and not dried out. This is an unusual tasty dish and makes use of the very last piece of baked ham next to the bone.

Fresh fruits make perfect lunch-box desserts, but have you ever thought of including a few raw vegetables to munch along with the sandwich? Celery, radishes, carrots, cucumbers, and even turnips taste good if fresh and clean. Tomatoes, of course, cannot be equalled. In one factory, women war workers carry crisp bunches of spinach in their lunch kits, or use it in sandwiches like watercress or lettuce.

Raw turnips give salads a new flavor, and bring vital Vitamin C to the dish. Do you throw away beet tops and turnip tops? You shouldn't. Save money and give your family vitamins by serving those greens as leafy vegetables. Good in soups too.



A NAZI bullet has found its mark . . . it is embedded in the flesh of a stalwart Red Army man. His comrade-in-arms carries him off the battlefield—(not forgetting to salvage the precious gun). If Fate is kind, the wounded man will reach the field tent hospital, where the bullet will be removed by careful, expert hands. All the modern implements of surgery and medicine will go into action . . . an anesthesia mask to deaden the pain . . . a sterilized scalpel . . . sulfa drugs . . . and a man's life will be saved!

BUT it is not only one man's life that hangs in the balance. It is the life of an entire generation—the generation that will receive one of two heritages from its elders . . . a life of abject slavery and shame in a Hitler dominated world—or a life in which they can live in peace . . . in freedom and with dignity.

Saving a man's life is important—at any time. And when that life means saving a part of the Russian Army, it takes on special meaning. For one long year, the Russian Army has barred the path of fascism; dealing out such hammer blows to the aggressor that the day of his collapse has been brought measurably closer.

ALL this adds up to just one thing. Contributing to Russian War Relief's campaign for medical supplies is the job of every freedom-loving American. Let's do it . . . and do it now!

RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF
11 EAST 35th STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

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For Your Convenience
you may make your contribution through the IWO FRONT LINE FIGHTERS FUND, 80 Fifth Ave., N.Y.C., the war relief agency of the International Workers Order, labor's foremost fraternal benefit society.

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Answer Tobruk By Attacking Hitler Now

• The British retreats in Libya and now Tobruk's fall have opened up a floodgate of propaganda which slyly says: "Libya makes necessary a postponement of the Second Front."

That is exactly the trap Hitler wants us to fall into.

The same propaganda said earlier: "Pearl Harbor and the fall of Singapore must delay the Second Front against Hitler."

No matter what happens, these secret friends of Hitler will find an excuse to postpone, delay, or sabotage the Second Front against Hitler in Europe. Even patriotic Americans unwarily fall for this propaganda if they are not careful.

If we are winning, the pro-fascists will say the Second Front "is unnecessary."

If we are losing, they will say the Second Front "is not timely."

They say these things because they know

that the opening of the Second Front now is the best possible way of overcoming the setbacks on the other fronts. It is what Hitler fears most.

If Hitler has to face a land attack in Europe by Britain and the United States, he will be unable to reinforce the Nazis in Libya.

The answer to settle Rommel's hash in Libya is to smash his big boss, Hitler, in Europe.

The answer to the Nazi "pincer movement" against the Caucasus, the Middle East oil fields, and the Suez Canal, is to let loose a torrent of hell for Hitler's armies in Europe.

The "let's-forget-the-Second-Front-now" propaganda is sponsored by Berlin. Let all patriotic Americans beware of it! The military setback in Libya makes the Second Front more desperately necessary than ever before.

Labor and World Unity

• One lesson which emerges with great force today is the lesson of international labor solidarity.

Labor the world over has always prided itself upon being the leading advocate of unity on a world scale. The trade unions especially, from the time of their first beginnings, have sought and created forms of international contact and organization.

Today unity is a theme with much broader implications and more extensive application. Since June of 1941 great strides forward have been made by the governments and the peoples towards overcoming deep-rooted differences among themselves. One year after Hitler attacked the Soviet Union, we find that unity among the United Nations, particularly between England, the United States and the Soviet Union, has reached a new and higher stage. The unity developed in the flames of war is being consolidated and a more effective base is being laid of closer cooperation for victory and for peace.

But unity is not a ready-made, full-fledged thing that is born suddenly. It comes and it develops only as the result of struggle in a common cause, on which our present lives and our future status depend. And so the present unity among the United Nations, although it is already in an advanced stage, is still in the process of being forged. All forces at work in every country, as well as events, influence from day to day the nature, the form, the evolution of this unity.

Those most keenly concerned with the safety of their own country, with the conditions of the future peace, and with the new and more progressive relations which this war must establish among the peoples of the world must themselves move to influence the course of events, to leave their will and their impress upon the basis of world unity.

This means labor. Of all the forces at work in modern society, labor is in a position to do more than any other class to help win the war and determine the nature of the peace. Nothing it can do immediately can have a greater influence upon the future than as-

suming the necessary preconditions for the victory of the Anglo-American Second Front in Europe. The future of the world and of the peoples depends upon that decisive act.

There is nothing labor can do to facilitate this event that is more effective than extending and strengthening the unity of the United Nations by extending the unity of labor on a world scale. The core of the whole question for labor is to extend this unity by securing the affiliation of both branches of our labor movement to the Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee.

As the head of the United Nations is the coalition of the United States, England and the Soviet Union. At the head of international labor solidarity, forming an integral and well-knit part of the broader world unity now evolving, must be united action among the trade unions of the United States, England and the Soviet Union. This "labor coalition" will inevitably draw to it, and establish mutually beneficial relations with, the labor and peoples movements of Latin America, Asia and of all countries.

The CIO has already clearly spoken out in favor of joining the Anglo-Soviet Committee and developing fraternal relations and common action with the trade unions of Latin America. The A. F. of L. Executive Council still remains silent, and the nature of its reply to the British Trades Union Congress on this subject is unknown to the vast membership of the A. F. of L. unions. It is time that all trade unionists, whether CIO or A. F. of L., speak out on this question without a moment's delay. The initiative of the CIO must be developed further. This will give new strength and encouragement to the membership and to those leaders of the A. F. of L. who favor such action. The A. F. of L. membership must make itself felt on this question.

It cannot and must not be said that labor lags behind its own government in maintaining and further developing cooperative action with the governments and peoples with which we are allied in our war of liberation.

Certain people have become very desperate. They are desperate because they do not like the results of Molotov's visit to London and Washington. What is more they are worried lest the present visit of Churchill to the United States bring results no more to their liking.

Judging from the new cautions which have come over the cables from London and which have been coined on their own by our brand of defeatists, the accord to open a new front in Europe might never have existed.

Thus, the London correspondent of the New York Times informs us that the purpose of Mr. Churchill's trip remains a "mystery." But by the end of his dispatch he must indirectly admit, as everyone knows that Churchill is here to discuss the second front, for he proceeds to advise the British Prime Minister and the American President that they should be concerned with "winning battles already started rather than beginning new ones."

We can credit the American and British leaders with greater military and political perception than what is displayed by the people for whom this particular correspondent talks. In May, when Molotov was in London, they already decided to open a second front. Everything that has happened since, confirms the imperative necessity of this decision. We can safely assume that the heads of state, together with their military advisers, canvassed thoroughly all the factors involved when they made this decision.

If Rommel is to be stopped, Egypt safeguarded, the Mediterranean remain open, the anticipated pincer offensive of Hitler in the Middle East scotched, if Suez is to be in the hands of the United Nations at the end of this year, if a possible juncture of Japanese and Nazi troops in India is to be avoided, if Turkey is to be saved from Hitler domination, if the Black Sea so strategic to the Middle East is to

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remain our sea, if we are to anticipate effectively a Japanese major move in the direction of India, Siberia or our Pacific area,—all these being factors opening a "new battle" in Europe—if we are to do these things we must do exactly as Churchill, Roosevelt and Molotov have already decided—open that Second Front in Europe. And without delay.

Whatever may be the actions decided upon as necessary in the other theatres of war in the Churchill-Roosevelt Conferences, these by the very nature of things can be only important defensive measures supplementing the main offensive action on the European continent.

That much is clear and has already been determined upon by the governments involved. As Ivesia said last week and as Deputy Prime Minister Cripps indicated in his speech Saturday, the urgent task of launching the new front have been solved thoroughly and practically.

What is to be expected further on this matter from Churchill's visit is quick decision and quick action—especially in view of the recent reverses—with regard to immediate timing and the determination of the accompanying political and military moves.

What, then, is the purpose of the new barrage against the Second Front with which we are now being hammered?

It should be noted that this barrage comes from non-government circles in Britain and the United States, and in most cases from

elements who receive their inspiration, either directly or indirectly, from the Fifth Column.

An agreement has been reached to open a second front in Europe. This accord on military strategy is part of the broader understanding on political and post-war strategy, embodied in the Anglo-Soviet Treaty, the Lend-Lease Agreement and the Roosevelt-Molotov declaration. These accords taken together—the military and the political—represent a new stage of friendship and co-operation between England, the United States and the Soviet Union. They signify by official act the operation of a powerful coalition dedicated to the annihilation of Hitlerism and the establishment of collective security after the war.

Those who are now desperately catching at any straw in their attempt to prevent or delay the Anglo-American invasion of Europe want to destroy this coalition, precisely because it includes the Soviet Union and because it is certain to destroy Hitlerism.

They can no longer hope to annul the new agreements by a parliamentary or diplomatic act. And since the opening of the Second Front is the key to the smooth functioning and further development of the Coalition and to the unfolding of collaboration on a world scale for victory and for an indivisible peace, they are striking out against the Second Front.

To prevent or delay as long as possible the Allied invasion of Europe is now the major work of the Fifth Column. Those who succumb to the pressure of this Column are endangering the whole course of the war.

That is why labor and the people must now renew and redouble their enthusiastic support to the accords signed at Washington and London. They know that the key to the future is joint military action in Europe now and they are determined that this key shall be turned.

Franco Minister's Trip to Rome and Vichy Was to Put Spain in War on Hitler's Side

By I. Urizar

Serrano Suner, minister of foreign affairs of the Franco government has just made a trip to France and Italy. His discussions with Mussolini, as announced in the press, dealt with: full settlement of the debt incurred by Franco through the intervention of the Italian troops against the Spanish people, granting Italy naval-air bases in the Mediterranean Balearic Islands; establishment of a commercial agreement; and permission for the passage of Italian troops through Spain to attack Gibraltar.

This program, officially announced in Rome, should be sufficient proof for us in America that the assassins of the Spanish people are Hitler's puppets. Appeasement of Franco, inspired and nurtured by the Munichists, is directly contrary to the interests of the American people.

This trip of Serrano Suner is only a part, and not the most important part, of the Hitler-inspired program of Franco.

Serrano Suner has been in Vichy and has talked with Laval. Serrano Suner has asked for Oran, Casa Blanca, and for adding parts of French Morocco to Spanish Morocco. This request or demand is part of the Hitler maneuver which has also caused the puppet Mussolini to revive his territorial demands on France. It is part of Hitler's plan to end the armistice with France and establish a peace that would get him the French navy

and bases in Europe and Africa.

The threat of the second front is already shaping Hitler's movements. This threat forces Hitler to look after his defenses. He is in a panic because of his vulnerability in Europe. Fear of an offensive compels him to settle bluntly and directly the problem of the Mediterranean and the problem of North Africa. This means direct involvement of Franco Spain in the war.

That is why the trip of Serrano Suner is but part of Hitler's desperate threat to the western Mediterranean. Suner's trip is part of Franco's recent military preparations to drag Spain into war on the side of Hitler.

This trip was made after three consecutive meetings of the Spanish Council of Ministers, under the presidency of Franco. After these meetings a single command for the Spanish army was established. The army, the navy and the air force have been centralized and they have been ordered to be ready in two weeks to take orders from a single directing center.

Shortly before Suner's trip the command of the 49 provinces, the Balearic Islands, the Canary Islands, Ceuta, and Spanish Morocco were transferred from the civil authorities to the military governors, thereby subjecting the whole life of the nation to the military command.

Military orders have been issued forbidding persons not living in the

towns near the frontiers of France and Portugal from visiting there. This is an attempt to prevent the people from learning of troop movements and of the military preparations being made.

This trip was made after Franco had mobilized the classes of '21, '28 and '43, bringing more than half a million men into the army. This is exactly half the million soldiers that Franco promised Hitler a few weeks ago in a speech delivered at Seville to the army officers.

Side by side with these feverish preparations for war, by Franco, a persistent campaign of the whole Nazi propaganda apparatus is being carried on, "denouncing the intentions of Great Britain to attack Spain." It was with similar propaganda that Hitler tried to justify the "protection" that his hordes gave Norway and Denmark when he invaded these countries in the spring of 1940.

In the light of the conditions of Hitlerism in Europe, in the light war by Franco, the trip of minister Serrano Suner is extremely important to the United Nations.

The trip of Suner to Vichy and Rome means the completion of the details for the entrance of Spain into the war on the side of the Axis. This can only be prevented by putting an end to appeasement, by dealing with the lackeys of Hitler as enemies of the United Nations and by aiding the Spanish people in their struggle against Franco.

Letters From Our Readers

Art in a People's War

Editor, Daily Worker:

After listening to and reading reports of the recent conference on Art and the War, one realizes the orientation this war has brought about on our cultural joy of just looking at pictures. A simple landscape scene one sees these days is that and much more. It is part of our national landscape and with our American people, to be protected from the brute Nazi hordes.

And art itself has its direct role in the present war in picturing and inspiring the all-out action to protect our national life and culture. M. W.

Commends Allen's Article, "Soviet Union and the Atlantic Charter"

Editor, Daily Worker:

James Allen's article on page 2 in the June 17 issue of the Daily Worker on the US-USSR conversations was a splendid and clear exposition, a worthy supplement to Browder's article in The Worker on the same subject.

There was a point stated in so many words that adds considerable strength to his comments on the "Baltic Question." That is—that the Soviet Constitution recognizes the right of self-determination of constituent republics to its fullest extent—including even the right of secession. If defeatists argue that this is merely a paper promise, here are two answers.

One, that a people fighting as the Soviet peoples are in defense of their independence, would not have

submitted to an oppressive denial of a fundamental constitutional guarantee—and two, that one of the first acts of the Soviet Government was to clear up the Finnish question which Kerensky had refused to deal with, by granting the Finnish Republic its national independence. This was done despite the threat to future security, whose first sign perhaps appeared in that very demand. C. M. J.

EDITOR'S NOTE: James S. Allen, Foreign Editor of the Daily Worker, will write a column from Monday to Friday, inclusive, beginning June 22. The column will be called "World Today."

Letter to Joe Palooka's Creator

Newark, N. J.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following is a copy of a letter sent to comic strip artist, Ham Fisher: "I have always enjoyed your strip, 'Joe Palooka,' and more recently have been pleased with its depiction and support of the war effort. However, the drawing at the top of a recent strip which shows Joe Palooka flanked by his manager and colored trainer distressed me."

The chauvinistic and exaggerated drawing of this Negro character weakens the role your comic strip plays in the all-out mobilization of the war effort.

"Since the Negro people today, more than ever before, are taking their rightful place in the prosecution of the war, we have to discard our thoughtless treatment of them and portray them as they really are." W. M. W.

They Say...

Comment on Current Events of Interest.

The Red Army has provided the world with the foremost military lesson of 1942, V. J. Jerome writes in "One Year Since June 22" in the current issue of The Communist.

A portion of the article follows:

It is axiomatic with military science that victory in war can be obtained only by offensive action, through concentration of striking power at the decisive place with the subordination of all other operations to the main aim.

The Red Army has provided the world with the superb example of the application of this principle.

From the outset of the conflict, whether in the zones of major military operations or in the occupied regions, the Soviet fighting people—the Army and the general population—were imbued through the inspiring summons of their great Commander-in-Chief, Stalin, to wage the war, whether in retreat or in advance, with the spirit of unrelenting attack.

The unremitting counter-attacks on a tactical scale (which were consistently combined with the army's strategic retreats), the carrying through of the guerrilla warfare, the Herculean campaign for production, the gathering in of crops, the patriotic laying waste of fields and habitable places, the razing of Dnieprostroy, the harassing of the invader behind the lines—were all permeated with the indestructible will of a united people, army and government to diminish the military strength of the invader, to wrest from him the initiative, and to spring over to the offensive.

The Red Army thus inflicted on Hitler that "loss in the advance" spoken of by the great military authority Clausewitz over a century ago, which "is increased if the enemy has not been beaten, but withdraws of his own accord with his forces intact, and offering a steady continuous resistance, sells every step of ground at a bloody price, so that the advance is a continuous combat for ground and not a mere pursuit."

Through the conduct of the entire first phase of the war, as can now be seen, the Soviet Union exerted the full weight of its national power with a view to the assumption of the counter-offensive at the earliest possible moment.

No sooner had the Hitlerite invaders begun to falter under the blows of the unyielding defenders of Moscow, than Stalin boldly seized the opportunity to throw into action carefully prepared reserves of the Red Army.

It was the constant orientation by the principle of the offensive which made possible the epic transition, at Rostov in the south and at Tikhvin in the north, to the greatest counter-offensive known to history, filling the world with admiration.

Thus, the Soviet Union has set forth in imperishable deeds, for all the armies and peoples ranged against the Axis, the foremost military lesson for 1942: the lesson that victory requires bold, determined, single-minded seizure of the offensive, and the concentration of all available human and material resources for its victorious realization.

* Karl von Clausewitz. On War, tr. Graham, London, 1918, Bk. VI, Chap. XXV.

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